

MINUTES
SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES COUNCIL
AUGUST 30, 2012 – 1:00 P.M.
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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Stephanie Arnold, *Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS)*
Senator George Barker, *Virginia State Senate*
W. Curtis Coleburn, *Virginia Alcoholic Beverage Control*
Sherry Confer, *Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS)*
Delegate Anne B. Crockett-Stark, *Virginia House of Delegates*
Merilee Fox, *Department of Education*
Henry Harper, *Virginia Foundation for Healthy Youth*
Delegate M. Keith Hodges, *Virginia House of Delegates*
Gregory Hopkins, *Virginia Drug Court Association (VDCA)*
Robert Johnson, *Virginia Association of Community Services Boards (VACSB)*
Art Mayer, *Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ)*
Jamie McDonald, *Virginia Association of Community Services Boards/Prevention (VACSB-Prevention)*
Jean Mottley, *Department of Corrections (DOC)*
Ron Pritchard, *Virginia Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (VAADAC)*
Mellie Randall, *Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS)*
Delegate Mark D. Sickles, *Virginia House of Delegates*
Diane Williams, *Substance Abuse Certification Alliance of Virginia (SACAVA)*
William Williams, *Virginia Association of Community Services Boards/ SA Council (VACSB-SA)*

STAFF:

Lynette Bowser, *DBHDS*
Julie Truitt, *DBHDS*

GUEST:

Mark Blackwell, *Substance Abuse Alliance Recovery Association (SAARA)*
Rhonda Gilmer, *Richmond Department of Justice Services (DJS)*
Kelly Glenn, *Delegate Mark Sickles Legislative Assistant*
Grady McLean, *DOC*
Anna Powers, *Supreme Court of Virginia (SCV)*
Patricia Shaw, *VDCA*
Jim Tobin, *VACSB*
Michael Whipple, *VDOC*
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) Executive Team
Thomas H. Carr, Director
Floyd Pond, Deputy Director Law Enforcement Program Manager
Ruth Phillips, Treatment/Criminal Justice Initiatives Program Manager
Joe Nattans, Prevention Program Manager

Glenn Fueston, Investigative Support Center Program Manager
Bob Bouland, Network Operations Center Program Manager

- I. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:** The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Will Williams, with introductions by those in attendance.
- II. **PRESENTATION:** The chair introduced Mr. Thomas Carr, Executive Director of the Washington/ Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA). Mr. Carr introduced the members of his staff who accompanied him to the meeting.

Mr. Carr stated that HIDTA is a federally-sponsored initiative that coordinates enforcement and treatment resources related to illegal drug use in specially designated areas. HIDTA program function is to enhance and coordinate drug control efforts among federal, state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies. Mr. Carr also discussed the following;

- Executive Board
- Funding
- Co-location, etc.
- HIDTA Mission and Goals
- Map of HIDTAs
- Washington/Baltimore HIDTA Map
- Threat Assessment
- Select 2011 Performance Management Process (PMP) Results

Members of Mr. Carr's Executive team presented:

- Floyd Pond discussed law enforcement efforts and highlighted Virginia's eight law enforcement initiatives. Six of the collocated initiatives are in Annandale and two in Richmond. Performance measures for 2011 initiatives included wholesale value of drugs removed from the marketplace, cash seizures, return on investment, fugitives apprehended, leads referred to other HIDTAs and other agencies.
- Ruth Phillips discussed treatment initiatives in four community based programs, two jail/prison based programs, and four drug courts. The programs all use evidence based practices.
- Joe Nattans discussed Virginia's 2011 prevention initiatives which include Prince William County (PWC) Prevention and Richmond Neighborhood Drug Intervention and Prevention Program. The PWC program includes a tattoo removal program. Richmond (Mosby and Whitcomb Courts) incorporates the Cal Ripken, Sr. Foundation "Badges for Baseball" as part of their program.
- Glenn Fueston discussed intelligence gathering to include the organizational structure of the intelligence area of HIDTA, goals and objectives, gang intelligence system, and social network research. The Investigative Support Center has five focus units-case support, investigative intelligence, watch, gang, and crime mapping. There are currently 18 data sharing participating agencies. The Investigative Support Center assist law enforcement, prevention, and treatment agencies in analyzing the data and developing reports and spread sheets as needed to support the work of the various agencies.

- Bob Bouland discussed information technology including data hosting and sharing. Mr. Bouland also explained the Case Explorer.net which is a web based, case management, criminal intelligence and deconfliction system provided by HIDTA. (Deconfliction allows law enforcement agencies operating in close proximity to execute law enforcement activities such as surveillance, buy/bust activities, execution of search and seizure warrants with maximum public safety.) This resource is free to all law enforcement and public safety organizations.

Council Chair thanked the HIDTA team for their presentation to the Council. Power point presentation is available at <http://www.dbhds.virginia.gov/SASC/default.htm>.

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 5, 2012 MEETING: A motion was made by Senator Barker and seconded by Ron Pritchard to approve the minutes of the July 5 meeting. The minutes were approved.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- **2012 SASC REPORT:** Ms. Randall suggested that the report provide information regarding the impact of the implementation of the Affordable Health Care Act on substance abuse treatment and prevention services. Will Williams, Jamie MacDonald, and Senator George Barker volunteered to be on a report review committee. A copy of the draft will be forwarded to members via e-mail for comments prior to submitting to Governor.

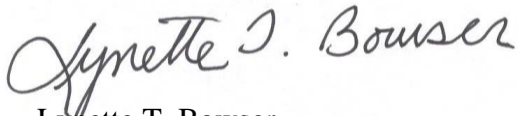
V. NEW BUSINESS:

- Ron Pritchard reported that the Virginia Summer Institute of Addiction Studies (VSIAS) held in Williamsburg in July was a success. He thanked the Chair, Mr. Williams for his attendance.
- Mark Blackwell announced a Behavioral Health Summit to be held on Oct 2-3, 2012 in Fairfax, VA. The Summit is sponsored by Virginia Recovers, Inc.; Virginia Association of Community Service Boards; Mid-Atlantic Addiction Technology Transfer Center; Substance Abuse and Addiction Recovery Alliance of Virginia; and the State Association of Addiction Services
- Mellie Randall provided an update on HB 271- The Substance Abuse Recovery Support Services Grant Program. A legislative study is being coordinated through DBHDS to determine how many organizations currently operate in the Commonwealth that can receive and disburse funds to support recovery activities. The definition developed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for substance abuse recovery support services is used to define the types of services included in the study. This information will be collected using both paper and online survey and a report will be submitted to the Governor and the General Assembly.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments

VII. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Ron Pritchard and seconded by Curtis Coleburn to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Lynette T. Bowser". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "L" and "B".

Lynette T. Bowser